LEVI PARKS.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 793.]

May 25, 1860.

Mr. F. W. Kellogg, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Levi Parks, report:

That having examined the evidence in the case, it appears that the said Parks enlisted in the service of the United States in April, 1813, under Lieutenant Littleton Johnson, and was attached to the 24th regiment of regulars commanded by Colonel William P. Anderson, in the war of 1812. He enlisted at Nashville, Tennessee; marched from there to Put In Bay island, in Lake Erie; went from thence to Malden, thence to Detroit, and from thence to Black Rock, from there to Fort George. The petitioner was there taken sick and went to the hospital, and remained sick till the surrender of Fort Niagara, when he was taken prisoner; was retained a prisoner between five and six months; was sick during the whole time he was a prisoner, and remained unable to perform duty until the latter part of the summer of 1814, when he again joined the army at Fort Erie, without being discharged by the surgeon or reported fit for duty, and attached himself to the first rifle company under Colonel McDonald. After various marches during that winter, he was sent to Nashville, and reported himself to Lieutenant Williamson, of the 24th regiment, and was sent from there to Fort Decatur, and from there to Fort Hawkins, in Georgia, and was there discharged by Colonel McDonald, after peace was declared.

His health has gradually declined ever since, and he has been and is now unable to labor and is wholly unable to support his family; his property at the time of making this application did not amount to \$25, and his wife was a cripple. These facts are well sustained by evidence from the several departments and from his comrades. The Pension office refused his application for a pension on the ground that the records of the departments did not show that he was disabled in the service.

Your committee believe the case to be a meritorious one and well sustained, and report a bill granting him a pension at \$8 per month from January 1, 1860.